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Pond hockey organizers ask for \$25K annually

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Organizers of the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships are looking to Haliburton County for \$25,000 a year for three years to keep the event in the county.

Neil Lumsden, executive director with J-Core Marketing, the company behind the event, visited county councillors at their April 23 meeting.

The pond hockey championships have been held in Haliburton village the past two winters, bringing in about 1,500 people over two weekends to take to the ice on Head Lake.

The county pitched in \$10,000 for each of the 2013 and 2014 tournaments, with councillors hoping the event would become financially self-sufficient.

"We're very proud of what we do, this event, where it has come from, and the impact it makes," Lumsden told councillors. "Sport, in general, brings people together."

According to Lumsden, the event also brings significant economic benefit to the community.

According to a survey conducted following the 2014 tournament, the average player spent \$375 while in the county, above and beyond registration fees.

There were 93 responses to the survey.

This equates to nearly \$385,000 spent in the county during two weekends,

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A decade of hospice fundraising

Drummers Dani Stahle, left, and John Proctor lead the Hike for Hospice walkers during the Memory Walk around the track on Sunday, April 27 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. More on page 5. Darren Lum Staff



SPARC gets Trillium boost

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

A cash infusion from the Ontario Trillium Foundation will help SPARC become a flame, local MPP Laurie Scott announced at the first Symposium for Performing Arts in Rural Communities at Fleming College on April 24.

A \$105,400 grant will be used in part to hire a co-ordinator to do the groundwork to create an official network for the per-

forming arts in rural places.

"I have nothing to criticize tonight," said Scott, who is opposition critic for tourism and culture.

"The positive atmosphere and the delightful people that I've met since I've come into this room has just been so engaging."

Scott said the arts community is very active throughout Haliburton County.

"As you have noticed, I'm sure, Haliburton is a fantastic arts and culture community, there's probably no better place to

host your first-ever symposium."

The four-day event for presenters, producers and creators of the arts featured more than 30 speakers and delivered 34 workshops, drawing in over 130 delegates from across the country along with several

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Championship drives business, Lumsden says

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Lumsden told councillors.

"This is driving business," he said. "That's what this is."

The Haliburton Lions Club ran the food and beverage tent, making some \$4,000 and local food banks also collected 900 pounds of food from players as well as the Turkey Farmers of Ontario.

"Another important point is that the local budget was approximately \$48,000, of which almost 50 per cent of that money was paid directly to the local business community as outlined in the notes of the local budget," a slide that was part of Lumsden's presentation read.

The tournament has opened up its books to the county, submitting its finances, which will be reviewed by the county's finance and correspondence committee.

The committee will then make a recommendation to coun-

cil. Lumsden told councillors Wednesday he was fine with totals being disclosed, but did not wish for the specifics – which local companies got paid what for goods and services – to be made public. "That's not partnership," he said.

While the event is non-profit, J-Core does collect a fee for organizing and hosting the tournament. That the county is putting in public funds while the company makes money has been the source of some local scrutiny, including in letters to the editor. Lumsden clarified to the paper that J-Core does not turn a profit on the tournament.

"The company cannot profit from it," he said. "It's not allowed." Lumsden said that any profit a tournament did make would be put in an account used to build the event.

He said the 2014 tournament was not expected to make any money. "If there's no surprises, we're probably at zero," he said. Staff employees do collect salary and expenses from the event.

Lumsden did not wish to release these figures to the paper and said they were part of the package given to the county, which may be made public through the committee process.

"It's great there was such success for the food bank and Lions Club," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt, asking if there would be an opportunity for more community groups to benefit from the event.

"We can cycle now so that there can be more people who would be positively affected," Lumsden said.

Moffatt wanted to know what would happen if councillors decided against ponying up \$25,000 a year to host event.

"Is the event's future in Haliburton County fully dependent on that request?" she asked.

"We need to have participation," Lumsden said. "Yes."


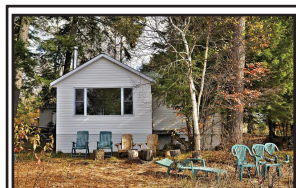




The decade-old event was held for a number of years at Huntsville's Deerhurst resort before coming to Haliburton.

MNR, outdoors association harvest walleye eggs for hatchery

Alex Reich, left, and Jordan Markell gather eggs and semen from walleye caught in the river feeding Head Lake on April 22. Reich and Markell are students in Fleming College's aquaculture post graduate certificate program at the Frost campus. They assisted Ministry of Natural Resources staff along with Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association volunteers. 400,000 eggs were taken to the hatchery to be raised up before being deposited into lakes around Haliburton County. **Steve Galea** Special to the Echo




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Editor

Spectators gathered along the sides of the Drag River leading into Head Lake on a cold and rainy Tuesday evening to watch the Ministry of Natural Resources staff and Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association volunteers scoop up walleye from the river and harvest eggs.

For about two hours, staff and volunteers worked to collect 560,000 eggs – about 400,000 of those to be incubated at the Haliburton Fish Hatchery.

According to a follow up email from MNR biologist David Flowers, the rest of the eggs were returned to the river.

The hatchery will raise up the fish, which will eventually be deposited in lakes around Haliburton County.



HHOA volunteer Paul Sisson scoops up a walleye from a cooler into an aerated container near the Emmerson Dam in Haliburton on April 22. From there, eggs were harvested by volunteers and Ministry of Natural Resources staff.

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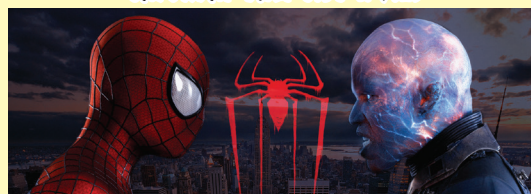
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Rousing success for Not Just Desserts

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Highlands East came out to cheer the hero and jeer the villain at the Not Just Desserts event at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce.

With close to 200 people in attendance, this event raised close to \$1,500 in gate receipts and in silent auction sales over two days from Friday, April 25 to Saturday, April 26.

The community has raised a little more than \$37,000 of the \$40,000 goal through monthly events, started more than a year ago.

The weekend event, which included two pantomimes *The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter* and *Trouble in the Cellar*, a silent auction and a variety of cakes and pies, was possible through the efforts of the Wilberforce Library Launchers and the Loop Troupe Little Theatre group.

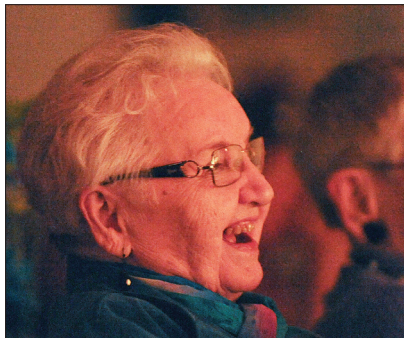
Loop Troupe president Dan Linkert, who said approximately \$900 worth of gate receipts were donated by the Loop Troupe, said it was the best event he has been part of in his 20 years with the acting group.

Linkert credited the community for its support and the Highlands East council, who all performed in the second pantomime *Trouble in the Cellar*.

He is optimistic about the event's future.

All proceeds of this event contribute to the furnishing of the new Wilberforce library.

Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton said the library officially opens on June 24.



Clockwise, from top, Highlands East council members Cecil Ryall, as the burglar, front, awaits his punishment as Dave Burton, as the father, back left, Suzanne Patridge, as the daughter, Steve Kauffeldt, as the plumber and hero, and Joan Barton, as the mother celebrate during the end of the pantomime *Trouble in the Cellar*; Brenda Boomhauer performs in *The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter*; Hannah Huffman, 9, eats pie; Kauffeldt holds his monkey wrench high; Burton performs and an audience member laughs at the Not Just Desserts event on April 25 at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce. This event included two pantomimes, live music, dessert, and was a fundraiser for the Wilberforce library.

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Transportation key to poverty reduction

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Transportation could go a long way in battling poverty in Haliburton County.

At their April 23 meeting, county councillors heard from Mike Perry, executive director of the City of Kawartha Lakes Family Health Team, and a lead on the poverty reduction strategy for Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

A 2012 report, part of the ongoing development of the strategy, identified five major themes in dealing with poverty; employment, transportation, child care, food and basic needs and housing.

There have been consultations,

including focus groups and surveys, one aimed specifically at those struggling financially.

"The No. 1 response to what could help get a job was affordable and accessible transportation," Perry told councillors.

He said transportation was also the No. 1 response to what could help people with access to child care.

One suggested method of improving access to transportation is ride-sharing – carpooling.

Another is designating empty seats on school buses for public use.

"They're on the road, anyway," Perry said.

Another suggestion is the continued creation of bike lanes and infrastructure to make the community more cyclist-friendly.

Major grant to establish rural performing arts network

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international attendees.

A strong youth presence was part of the symposium as well, with 20 attendees being brought on specifically as youth delegates. These delegates, who fell between the ages of 16 and 29, participated in the discussions to highlight both the complications and the opportunities faced by youth involved in the performing arts in rural communities.

A portion of the grant money from Trillium helped support the travel and accommodation costs for the delegates who arrived from outside the area. Other costs to run the event were supported in part by a \$40,000 federal government grant, and the townships of Dysart et al and Minden Hills each sponsored two local youth delegates.

"It's not easy getting a Trillium grant," said Scott, commend-

ing Jim Blake for his work on the application. HCCC and SPARC were able to secure the \$105,400 provincewide grant as the event fit the criteria of reaching multiple areas throughout Ontario.

"It's our sincerest hope, that all of this – the enthusiasm, the sharing of knowledge, the exchange of information – that all of this becomes the fertile ground in which the seeds of a rural performing arts network will take root," said organizing chairwoman Lesley English.

The call for co-ordinator applications will be sent out to SPARC delegates and distributed across the province within the next month.

In addition to creating a co-ordinator position, grant money will go towards the creation and hosting of a summit event to be held in Haliburton during the fall of this year that will launch the network.

Public library needs increased IT support

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The Haliburton County Public Library system needs increased IT support, the library's CEO told council last week.

Bessie Sullivan visited county councillors during their April 23 meeting, delivering her annual general report.

She also delivered a report on IT support, which dealt with the need for more staff time, more staff or other solutions to deal with the county's growing computer fleet.

"There's a lot of pressure on county IT," Sullivan told councillors. "The more we build libraries . . . and put more and more computers into them . . . we have to come up with a way to support them."

There are 55 computers spread throughout the library's eight branches, 34 of them for public use.

A new library is nearly ready to open in Wilberforce, which will include more computers.

In 2012, Industry Canada discontinued funding for IT support for public computers under its Community Access Program.

"The increased strain on County IT resources is becoming more obvious to the library staff, the library board, and the public who use the technology," Sulli-

van's report to council read.

"At the library's full capacity there could be 306 people a day using computers at nine locations across the county and countless others using library connectivity 24/7."

Users of the county's public computers range from those seeking employment to students completing homework to people running errands on lunch hour to county residents without high-speed Internet.

The report noted that on top of the computers themselves, there are laptops, printers, photocopiers and phones that need to be supported.

One recommendation in the report was the expansion of the role of the library's troubleshooting staffer, known as the library champion (LC).

"Having a library champion (LC) will make sense in the long run, but any tasks we add to the LC's workload will require more of the LC's time," the report read.

"One possible solution to reduce time travelling to sites is increased remote capabilities for the LC. For the LC to take an active role in IT without compromising the LC's other duties will require more paid hours. The LC currently works 35 hours a week, potentially the LC could work 40 hours a week."

Other recommendations included increasing paid hours

for current IT staff, or adding staff members.

The county's IT department consists of two people.

Another recommendation was contracting out some of the work. "Are we going to go back and address why we need so many libraries?" asked Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey.

The library's eight branches are located in Minden, Haliburton, Dorset, Stanhope, Wilberforce, Cardiff, Highland Grove and Gooderham.

Highlands East Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge pointed out the smallest branches in her municipality only have one public-access computer each.

"It's all about the use," said Fearrey.

"It's all about having to service one that's 30 miles out."

Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen, who sits on the library board, said reviewing that concern is part of a strategic plan process.

A report on staffing strains in the IT department is expected to come before councillors next month.

Circulation at the library grew by three per cent in 2013, to 144,000 items from 138,756 the previous year.

It added more than 6,500 items to its catalogue, bringing its total items count to more than 49,000.

Folk society nets \$8,000 for concert series

Local MP Barry Devolin announced last week \$8,000 to the Haliburton County Community Cooperative in partnership with the Haliburton County Folk Society through the Canada Arts Presentation Fund.

The money will be used for a roots music concert series which will take place at various locations, including the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton from April 1 to March 31. Typically, the Haliburton County Folk Society presents

eight to 10 shows annually featuring musicians from across Canada with the next presentation, scheduled for May 2, featuring The Claytones from the Ottawa Valley.

"I am proud of our government's support for the arts and culture scene in Haliburton. The upcoming concerts will enrich our community with live performances by talented artists," said Devolin. "Today's news will provide numerous benefits to the economic and cultural life of Hal-

iburton County and continue to make this area a wonderful place to live."

"The Haliburton County Folk Society and the Haliburton County Community Cooperative are very grateful for this support from Canadian Heritage.

"It enables us to animate our community with great live music and helps us to develop our tourism potential as a performing arts destination," said Barrie Martin, president, Haliburton County Folk Society.



Drummers Dani Stahle, left, and John Proctor lead the Hike for Hospice walkers during the Memory Walk around the track on Sunday, April 27 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Walkers chose between a five kilometre walk around Head Lake, a one kilometre (four laps) walk around the track or a Memory Tea.

Darren Lum Staff

Sun shines on 10th Hike for Hospice

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Like the beat of a heart, two drums led a group of walkers, who were warmed by the sun, as they marched in support of a cause and the memory of loved ones around the local high school track during the 10th anniversary of Hike for Hospice on Sunday, April 27.

This year's event started with the Memory Walk around the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School track, followed by the choice between a five kilometre walk around Head Lake, a one kilometre walk around the track or the new offering of the Memory Tea.

The occasion also marked Hospice's 20th anniversary and SIRCH's 25th anniversary.

\$23,172 was raised thanks to 22 corporate sponsors, who contributed \$8,020, and people like throat cancer survivor Nancy Brink, who walked for those she knew and loved.

Brink, whose voice still cracks, barely a whisper at times, is a pillar of strength when it comes to fundraising for Hike for Hospice.

This year she raised the highest individual total with \$5,025.

In 10 years (with the top individual total nine of 10 years) she has raised more than \$31,000.

The honorary chairperson has worked for SIRCH the past several years and volunteered since the beginning. People tell her they'll give her money because they know her.

She reminds them the cause is the greatest reason to give.

Her faith in God, knowing people here in the Highlands and in surrounding areas, and a belief in the cause drives her to spend up to a month every year collecting money for the Hike for Hospice.

"Every morning I start with prayer. If I'm going out canvassing I ask for Him to open



Hike for Hospice walkers place flowers on the Memory Tree following the Memory Walk

the doors," she said. "At night I kneel beside my bed and give thanks."

The top team was Barrie's Street of Dreams who helped to raise \$2,415 in memory of Barrie Maxwell.

Just before the walk, it was announced in 10 years \$163,000 was raised by 1,000 people with the help of 400 volunteers.

Chairperson Bonnie Roe, who was the main organizer of the event, said she was amazed by the turnout and thought the day was perfect.

She worked and walked in the memory of mother Clara Workman, mother-in-law Lillian "Billy" Roe and dog, Ivy Lea.

Roe credited the volunteers and every-

one who helped with the success.

Hospice has served 375 clients.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Mofatt was the event's MC while MPP Laurie Scott spoke at the start of the walk and participated. MP Barry Devolin also made a speech.

SIRCH board member, Haliburton Highlands Bereavement Network member and minister of the Eagle Lake United Church Gary Swagman offered sage advice to the walkers when he said, "They are not forgotten. They are still part of our lives. Honour them with your memory and presence here today."

School bus cancellations highest in seven years

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

It's not much, but it's a record.

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) released the most-up-to-date tally on school bus cancellations this school year, which (as of April 23) is seven. It surpasses six from last year.

With records dating back seven years, the school bus cancellation average is five and seven is the newest benchmark for cancellations since records started in 2007 to 2008.

The majority of cancellations this year were attributed to more "snow days" than the previous year's mild winter that led to freezing rain events at the end of the calendar year and in the spring.

TLDSB manager of the director's office and communications Catherine Shedden said this year included everything when it came to cancellations.

"This year we had a mixed bag with freezing rain early and late in the season but we had real 'snow days' due to the longer more traditional winter weather with a lot of snow accumulation and cold temps especially in the more northerly areas (Haliburton and Muskoka)," she wrote in an email.

Many parents were left scratching their heads when a school bus cancellation was announced earlier this month. On record, the latest a school bus cancellation was made was April 20, 2011.

Shedden recalls the conditions of heavy snow and slippery roads, which were similar to this year.

However with technology there is greater information when it comes to cancellations, she said.

"The accuracy of the forecasting and the sharing of information about warnings, watches and special weather statements seems to be more broad in the past couple of years than it was previously," Shedden said. "We are getting advanced warning, therefore the general population is also getting the warnings early and frequently on their devices, so there is a greater expectation that we will be cancelling if there are red warnings. The number of warnings seems to have increased as well."

The seven-year low is three days in 2010 to 2011.

The board has produced a video (www.youtube.com/watch?v=nmKZOyE3arE), explaining the criteria for school bus cancellations.



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FOR THE LAST two years the pond hockey championships in Haliburton have livened up the village during a slow time for tourism.

The event, organized by J-Core Marketing, included hundreds of volunteers and brought thousands of people to the county during its run.

Each year, the county paid \$10,000 to help the championships grow. In addition, the players paid registration fees.

In exchange, the town received a flagship event, which garnered outside media coverage and introduced people to the Highlands who might not have ever ventured into our neck of the woods.

This year, there was some controversy when some people asked organizers to produce the financial numbers associated with the not-for-profit event.

Last week, those organizers went to county council to discuss the future of the championships and ask for \$25,000 per year for the next three years.

If the money doesn't come, pond hockey will likely be moved to another town, coordinator Neil Lumsden told council.

The county's finance committee will now be tasked with looking over J-Core's proposal.

If it's true that this infusion of cash from public coffers is the only way to keep the outdoor hockey event here, the county will have to say goodbye to it.

The price tag of \$75,000 for three years is too steep.

No doubt the thousands who came

to Haliburton spent money at local restaurants and accommodations and certainly there was a charitable aspect that benefitted the Lions Club and food bank.

However, for a small town in a county with a small budget, the ask from Lumsden is just too much.

On the topic of taxes

This Thursday is the county's day of action against the proposed funding model for the OPP.

In a rare move, councillors decided to petition the voters to rally against the change, which is set to increase payments from Haliburton County from \$3.3 to \$8.5 million starting in 2015.

The changes haven't yet been implemented, but so far there has been little interest from the provincial government or the Association of Municipalities

of Ontario to stop the new model from going through.

Without increasing policing services, taxes could increase between 20 and 36 per cent in an attempt by OPP and the government to spread out police costs more fairly.

The day of action is May 1 and council asks those who oppose the increase to contact Premier Kathleen Wynne; Yasir Naqvi, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services; and your local MPP.

For those on Twitter, use #OPPMay-Day to get your point across.

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Jenn Watt
Editor



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by Darren Lum

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New voices and ideas always make for better outcomes! We are also considering an "Out-on-the-Street" sidewalk sale and celebration for June.

New ideas are shared at our regular monthly meetings, held at the Haliburton library, Dysart branch on the last Tuesday of the month. All are welcome!



Gail Stelter
BIA in the Village



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points of view

Role reversals

SOMETIMES I WONDER about what goes on in the peanut-sized brain cavity of my dog – which is OK because sometimes I suspect, she wonders a little about what goes on in my head too. Typically, that happens when I’m watching fishing shows on TV.

The other day, I had more cause than normal to wonder, however. You see, Callie is normally a gifted retriever, but there are a few rare occasions when she just stops retrieving for some strange reason.

I was telling this to my friend Tom the other day. He’s a good guy to bounce these things off of since he happens to be the Gun Dog Editor of the magazine I write for.

“She just quits retrieving huh?” he asked.

“Yes, and I find this disconcerting,” I said. “She used to be able to go all day.”



Steve Galea
Loon Tales

“Quitting is not like Callie at all,” he said.

“I know,” I replied. “She’s normally pretty keen when it comes to retrieving.”

“Tell me about what happened,” he said. “Maybe we can figure out why.”

I went on to describe a training session that happened yesterday morning when I was throwing her dummies in the back yard.

“I threw several on the flat area behind the house and she retrieved them beautifully,” I said. “Brought them right to hand, sat down and rushed out when I did it again.”

“Nothing wrong with that,” he said. “You were praising her up after each retrieve – making it a positive experience – and pointing at the dummy as you sent her off too, I assume?”

“Sure was,” I said. “I made her feel real happy and enthusiastic when she brought them back. But I also showed her who was boss by making her sit.”

This, as I told him, went on for half an hour without a hitch.

“So then what happened?” he asked.

“Well, I threw one down to the bottom of the hill. But instead of retrieving it, the stupid dog just milled around at my feet...”

“What happened next?” he asked.

“I couldn’t get her to go for love nor money. Finally, I realized that I was going to have to go get it,” I said. “So I did. Talk about a steep return.”

He asked a few more questions about how I handled her and then I continued on with my story.

“I don’t know what I did but it must have been something right,” I said. “You see, a minute later, when I threw her one more on the flats, she straightened up and performed flawlessly. I praised her a whole lot, got all excited and started dancing around her to get her enthused, and then threw another dummy downhill.”

“Did she go get it?” he asked.

“Nope,” I said, “She started milling around again.”

“She never retrieved it, huh?”

“Didn’t even try. Instead, she kept pointing downhill and barking until I finally got up from my chair and brought it back! It was the darndest thing.”

“Hmmm...” he muttered. “What was the darndest thing?”

“Well, when I brought it back she was so excited. She danced around in circles and started to make me laugh. It was funny to watch,” I said.

“Enjoyed that did you?”

“Well, yes, I did. Then I threw another downhill and when I brought it back, she did it again. She was actually wagging her tail and dancing with glee. Made me feel real good actually,” I said.

“Really?” he said.

“I threw a couple more. The next time, I had to go get one, I lost track of where it landed. Fortunately, when I looked back at her she was looking right at it so I checked where she was looking and found it after I circled the area a few times.”

“Sounds like you are getting pretty good at retrieving,” he said.

“Well, not to brag but this time I ran up that hill and boy did she ever praise me up when I got back...”

Suddenly, it struck me.

“Has she got you doing water retrieves yet?” Tom asked.

“No,” I said sheepishly.

But I suspect that’s only because she wants to wait till the lake gets a little warmer.

letters to the editor

Haliburton Rotary helps Dorset Community Garden

To the Editor,

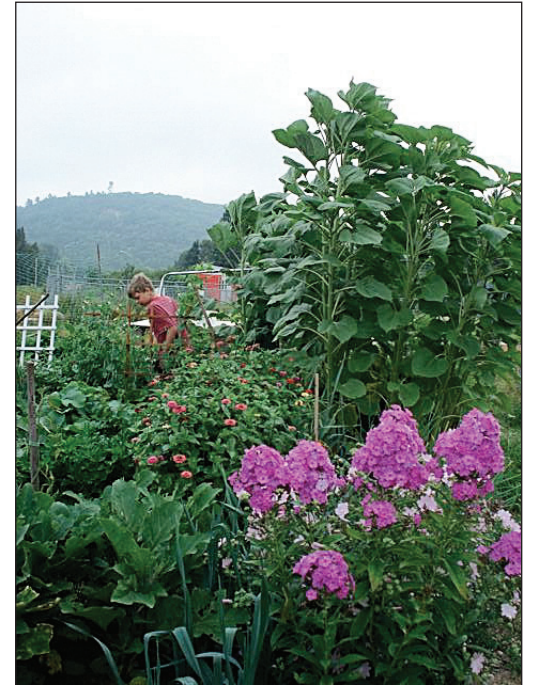
Last spring, the Haliburton Rotary Club donated \$500 worth of topsoil, including delivery, to the Dorset Community Garden at Portico on Highway 35. That’s a lot of soil: two giant mounds of dark, fertile magic. They filled up our empty raised beds, grew the town scores of beans, zucchini, winter squash and potatoes. After those vegetables were harvested, garlic was tucked into the soil for the winter.

The mound of left-over soil is just now emerging from the snow, soon ready to fill new beds and grow more vegetables. Soil is a wonderful gift that just keeps giving and giving.

The Dorset Community Gardens provides space for 15 families to grow vegetables. It is a meeting place, where gardeners share seeds, vegetables, flowers and tips on gardening; where clients of local businesses meet; and where families eat wood-fired pizza at the picnic tables. Everyone enjoys and marvels at the beautiful gardens that have spruced up the town. It is a lively, cheerful and welcoming place.

Many thanks to Rotary for contributing so generously to the Dorset Community Garden with their gift of soil from which so much goodness is sprouting.

Elizabeth Johnson
Director of the Dorset Community Garden



Dorset’s community garden was helped by Haliburton Rotary with \$500 for topsoil. This photo is from last year’s garden, submitted by Elizabeth Johnson.

Kicking off #OPPMayDay

Dear Premier Wynne;

I have been privileged to cottage in the Haliburton Highlands for many years. As you are aware, there is a terrific ground swell occurring in this region opposing the proposed OPP billing model. It is not as though any of us lack the understanding and insight into how big a challenge it must be to balance policing and services to such a large area but what frightens me is the lack of imagination to come up with a sustainable solution rather than defaulting to hitting the taxpayer (once again) as the solution.

Why not implement a plan to create an entirely new revenue stream to deliver the funds needed to properly and sustainably support a long term policing plan? Examples of what this might look like might be, but are not limited to the following:

- Create a visitor’s centre in the area similar to the (but smaller scale) “en route” model along Hwy 401. The Ontario government would benefit from rent collection, jobs would be created which increase tax base, taxes collected on goods sold to visitors, etc. This initiative would encourage bus loads of visitors

to spend locally versus taking their free ride through the scenic drives without shelling out a dime.

- Issue a toll to tour bus companies to compensate for increased pressure on policing and safety on roads

- Institute a tax to tourists that is collected at resorts/motels/provincial parks as a new revenue stream similar to that already in place in Toronto

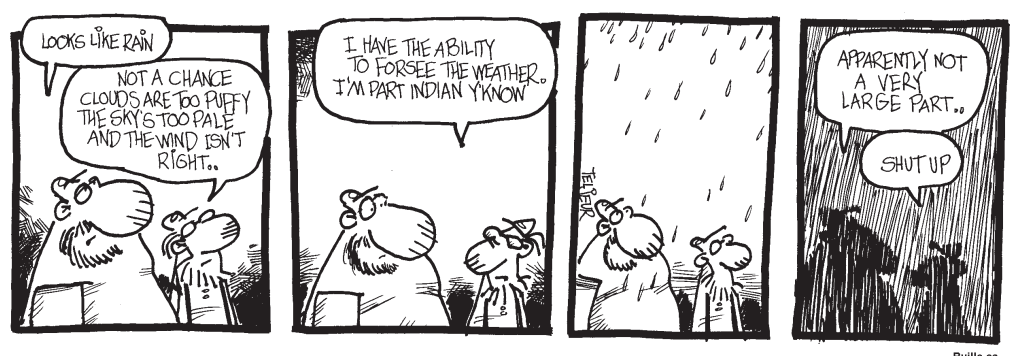
As you can see there are many ways to generate revenue to make up the short fall to your policing budget in a sustainable way. By considering a new approach it is also possible to create opportunity, economic development and benefits to all without negatively impacting the resident’s household budget.

So why not get out of the box and form a new plan instead of defaulting to the old school programming of hitting up the tax payers? Why not carve a new path that makes everyone happy? This could be a true Wynne-Wynne situation for all!

Jill Lawrence

Gerald Irish’s column will return next week

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Bringing SPARC to the Highlands

The Saturday night gala at the Bark Lake Leadership Centre featured the premiere of *The Spirits of the Great White Pine*, a collaboration between playwright Michael Fay, choreographer Julie Barban, and composer Bethany Houghton. The performance epitomized SPARC, showcasing the creativity and ingenuity of rural artists. The dancers who performed were Lily Manning, Jaiden Mueller, Abigail Kauffeldt, Mikaela Kauffeldt, Claire Karaguesian, Rebecca Hamilton, Christine Bishop and Jordyn Brown.



Above, the SPARC youth delegates gathered for a group photo outside Wintergreen after a discussion session and lunch. The Symposium for Performing Arts in Rural Communities (SPARC) was held from April 24 to the 28 throughout Haliburton County.

Left, youth delegate Daniel Nogueira addresses SPARC attendees on the final day of the event. A portion of the closing discussions featured the youth representatives presenting their thoughts on performing arts in rural communities.

Right, Sadie Dixon-Spain of the Walking Theatre Company had youth delegate Shannon Darby take part in an adaptation of *Macbeth* during the Symposium for Performing Arts in Rural Communities. The Walking Theatre Company came all the way from Scotland to attend the event.

Photos by Zach Cox

See next week's Echo for more on SPARC



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HALIBURTON COUNTY'S INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER
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Dysart fire chief recognized for decades of service

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 28 meeting of Dysart et al council.

It's usually a thankless job but after 35 years Miles Maughan is being honoured for his years of service.

A firefighter since 1977, the Dysart et al fire chief was recently recognized with an award for his many years of service.

"Over the years, through different boards, Miles has been given the fire services long service award and the exemplarily service award," said deputy fire chief Don Stephenson.

This year marked Maughan's 35th year of service.

"That's a lot of missed dinners, a lot of missed nights' sleep he's given up for the municipality and the fire department," said the deputy fire chief.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey presented Maughan with a certificate from the municipality to show appreciation for the fire chief.

"I just can't believe it's been 35 years," said the reeve. "It's been a good journey."

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— Deputy fire chief Don Stephenson
on Miles Maughan's 35 years of service

Winter took toll on roads

The harsh winter weather left its mark on municipal roads, with the public works department having now surpassed their transportation budget by \$20,000, said treasurer Barbara Swannell.

"We have to consider that we still have the later part of 2014 to deal with," said Swannell.

Public works director Brian Nicholson said there has been some localized flooding in the past few weeks.

Sweeping operations have begun but are starting late this year.

"They really only started last week," he said. "It's going to be dusty."

Spring activities at arena

The A.J. LaRue arena will be a busy spot this spring and summer, as plans to utilize the facility are underway.

The municipality will be organizing an eight-week ball-hockey program this spring, starting May 7, said Dysart recreation manager Andrea Mueller.

To date 30 kids age 18 and under have registered, covering the cost to run the program.

The cost is \$75 a player, which includes eight ball hockey sessions.

The affordable program will be offered in part due to volunteer coaches, said Mueller.

As well, the arena will also be host to pickleball and both inline and rollerskating during two nights a week.

Mueller also mentioned she is looking into starting up a T-ball league for the months of July and August, using the West Guilford ball diamond.

A clinic teaching participants how to run properly will begin on May 6, led by Sue Shikaze.

Emmerson Dam to have historic plaque

Following the renovation and rededication of the Emm-

erson Dam last summer, the municipality is looking at installing a plaque near the Drag River site to honour its historic significance in the community.

Fearrey suggested the plaque be placed near the staircase on Highland Street, just south of Pine Avenue, leading down to the river.

"There is a big rock there that we could place it on," said the reeve.

Dam owner Kim Emmerson has been working on the specific wording for the plaque and all members of council agreed to move forward with the project.

The site was the location of the town's first sawmill, constructed by Capt. John Lucas and William Ritchie, according to Emmerson.

The existing concrete dam on the river was built in 1946 by W.O. Bailey.

Recreation upgrades could get costly

Work to improve the Head Lake Park tennis courts and the Harcourt and West Guilford ball diamonds could prove to be expensive.

Preliminary discussions on the cost of resurfacing the three tennis courts in Haliburton Village and installing netting on the two ball diamonds were had by members of council.

It was estimated it would cost in the neighbourhood of \$75,000 to resurface the courts, and between \$11,000 to \$12,000 to install poles and netting on each ball diamond.

Parks and recreation director Ray Miscio said the Harcourt ball diamond is getting a lot of use during the summer and it may be time to bite the bullet and put netting up.

Councillor Susan Norcross suggested the Harcourt Community Centre pitch in some money to offset the cost to the municipality.

Fearrey suggested Miscio look into getting poles donated by an outside organization or corporation, such as Bell.

Miscio will be bringing both items back to council in the future.

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County working on alternative OPP model

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton County is working on an alternative OPP billing model to submit to the province, one that would encapsulate commercial and industrial properties.

A new billing model set to come into effect in 2015 seeks to equalize OPP payments throughout the province on a per household basis, and would see collective annual policing costs in Haliburton County spike from \$3.3 to \$8.5 million.

The county's treasurer has repeatedly called the model flawed for a number of reasons, one of which is that it includes seasonal residences (weighting them evenly with year-round residences), but does not include commercial and industrial properties.

At an April 23 council meeting, treasurer Laura Janke told council that after receiving permission from the county's four reeves, she had contacted the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation for information on commercial, industrial and institutional properties.

Janke should receive the information by early May and will be using it to put together a new case to submit to the province.

A steering committee on OPP billing assembled by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario released a report April 10 that recommended the province proceed with the per household model or a model that would operate on blended per household/weighted assessment.

The latter option would essentially have the same outcome for the county, in fact costing a few thousand dollars more.

Under the per household model, 73 per cent of the bill – or approximately \$260 per

household – would be charged for the base, or fixed, overhead costs of policing, while 27 per cent of the bill would be based on calls for service.

This figure will vary depending on the number of calls in an area.

The province has shown some indication to consider changing that weighting to 60 per cent base and 40 per cent per call, but Janke suggested that a 15/85 per cent split would be more fair.

The county has requested and received call statistics from the local detachment for the past three years.

The county has requested a meeting with Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Yasir Naqvi through MPP Laurie Scott and is still awaiting a reply.

According to the auditor general, the average annual cost of one OPP officer is \$159,000, including salary, benefits, etc.

Using this figure, at the current rate, the county pays for 22 officers. There are 29 officers at the local detachment.

Under the proposed formula, the county would be paying for 54 officers, but see no service increase.

The average first-class OPP constable, a position attainable in three years on the job, makes more than \$90,000 a year.

In 2014, OPP officers received an 8.55 per cent salary increase.

The county has orchestrated a day of action against the proposed billing formula for May 1, encouraging residents to email or call the office of the minister or the premier, or take to Twitter with the hashtag #OPP-MayDay.

The proposed formula would see tax increases of between 20 and 36 per cent throughout the county's lower tier townships to absorb.



Waterfowl greeted spring in Ingoldsby and Lynda Williams was there to see it. Above, a pair of common goldeneye ducks swim together. Below are buffleheads.



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Below, a downy woodpecker – thankful for suet feeders at Lynda Williams's Grass Lake home.





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Moses Znaimer, president of CARP and ZoomerMedia, came to Haliburton to speak to the Haliburton CARP chapter at the Pinestone Resort on Sunday, April 27.

Leveraging the power of the biggest generation

Znaimer talks aging, marketing and Zoomers at CARP meeting

Jenn Watt
Editor

CityTV founder and Canadian media mogul Moses Znaimer is best known for reimagining television and the audience's role in creating the media.

Now he's pushing a new revolution of thought: that the senior demographic – the baby boomers – aren't a static, tired demographic, but one that should be holding the bulk of the power in society.

Znaimer is head of both CARP, a non-profit advocacy organization addressing aging in Canada, and ZoomerMedia, which includes radio, TV, and Zoomer Magazine, among other holdings.

"It's still an argument that we have to have every day with advertisers and ad agencies because people squirm when you get close to age. Even though the companies

are run by 50 to 80 year olds, even though they're owned by zoomers ... everybody gets nervous about aging. That's why I invented 'zoomer,' because 'old,' 'elder,' 'mature,' they're all variations of a word that make people nervous," said Znaimer in an interview with Echo.

Zoomer is a combination of "boomer" and "zip," he explained during a question and answer period at the Haliburton CARP chapter's annual general meeting April 27.

CARP has had some semantic tinkering too, no longer standing for the Canadian Association for Retired Persons. It just seemed too, well, retired.

The R now can stand for refreshed, recharged or revitalized, but certainly not retired.

It seems that R-word is particularly offensive to Znaimer, who said the whole concept behind zoomers is a shift in mentality.

"What a terrible thing to say to somebody: you are officially useless. Get out of the way because your job now is to die. It's awful, not to mention hugely wasteful. They're talking about a body of experience, financial acumen and willingness to give that is immeasurable," he said.

Western society has fixated on 65 as the age of retirement, but it's an outdated notion, he explained.

When 65 was chosen as the appropriate retirement age,

people hardly lived much beyond that point. Now, Canadians can expect to live well into their 80s and are largely happy – and willing – to continue working longer.

"Otto Von Bismark in the late 1800s, in an attempt to compete with the rise of socialism in Europe, did this enormous gesture of creating the world's first government-backed pension plan and offered a pension to anyone who could reach the age of 70.

"The fact is, the age expectancy at the time was 50, so Otto wasn't taking a very big risk. Two or three people might stagger across that finish line, then collect the pension for a year or two and then they die," Znaimer explained.

Today, everyone lives longer, so there is no need to give up on staying connected and active at 65, he argued.

Intertwined with Znaimer's notions about zoomers and retirement is his frustration that the media, government and society concentrate on today's 20- and 30-year-olds as the influential generation.

While baby boomers were the focus of marketing campaigns up until a couple of decades ago, he said marketers have made the mistake of thinking the boomers were important because of their youth, not because of their overwhelming numbers.

Today, marketers look to a much smaller group of young people who don't have the wealth or the influence the boomers (or zoomers) still have and expect them to buy goods the way the boomers did.

"All conventions around that, the idea that people in their late teens and early 20s were the world's best consumers. That derived from the fact that if you got married at 18 and had kids at 20 or 22, you're consuming. You were setting up a household, you were buying a bedroom set, you were buying a crib, kids' clothes ... not today. Those two people are in the basement living in their parents' home. We've got to adjust," he said.

This view of the baby boomers came to Znaimer back in 1984 – the year he founded one of the most youthful TV stations in Canada.

"The thought did strike me ... and the importance of the boomers was not based on the fact they were young, but the fact that they were the most massive generation created," he said.

His shift from youth-based media to ZoomerMedia has brought him some criticism for changing teams, but he said it's quite the opposite.

"I'm the guy who's still with my gang. Zoomer is simply an extension of the audience who liked CityTV and watched Much Music," he said.

His goal now: to get more of those people signed up for CARP.

The Haliburton chapter has 700 members and represents one of the fastest growing chapters in the country with the most members per capita. Across the country there are 300,000 members, with annual membership shrinkage of 35,000 a year.

That means CARP needs to bring in 35,000 new members annually just to maintain its numbers.

Numbers mean clout, Znaimer said, and Haliburton chapter president Bob Stinson echoed those sentiments in front of the crowd on Sunday.

He encouraged members to head to the chapter's website to take part in surveys – including one that will dictate questions at the municipal all-candidates' meeting.

The more people who join, the more seriously politicians will have to take seniors' issues.

"When it comes to influence, when it comes to clout, size matters," Znaimer said.

To read more about what the local chapter of CARP is up to, go to www.carp.ca and follow the links to the Haliburton page.

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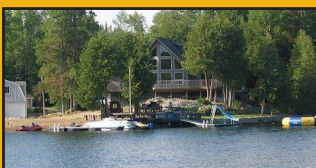
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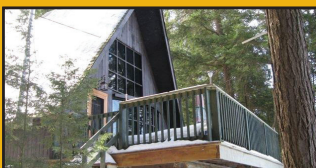
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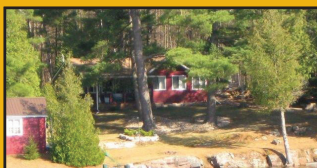
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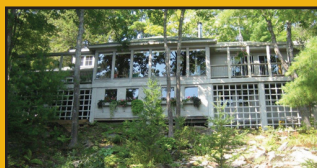
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Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29



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- Mins. to Minden conveniences, solid brick
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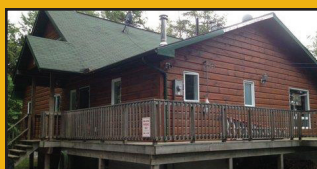
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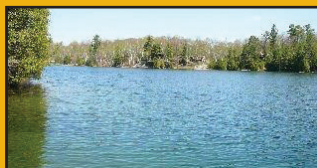
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Haliburton Village \$244,000

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- Fully finished, 1100 sq ft, half an acre
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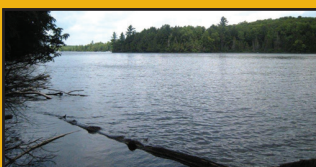
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HHHS supports EMS proposal for paramedicine program

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board meeting on April 24.

A proposal to introduce a community paramedicine program in Haliburton County is getting a thumbs up from Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

The Haliburton County EMS department developed a proposal and submitted it to the Ministry of Health on April 17, requesting \$160,000, said HHHS president and CEO Varouj Eskedjian.

"It's one-time funding for some technology and medication that needs to be provided to the EMS staff [department]," said Eskedjian.

If approved, the program would have EMS staff be proactive and go out to seniors who are identified as at risk.

"The concept is to visit these people when there's down time and there is down time with EMS," said the CEO.

The goal is for the regular visits to help eliminate unnecessary trips to the HHHS emergency departments.

"We are supportive of it, as well as the Family Health Team is supportive of it as well as a number of other community health providers have written a letter of support," said Eskedjian.

HHHS has submitted a letter of support to be submitted with the EMS proposal.

"We think in our context in Haliburton County, with people being far away, from a transportation perspective, that this makes a ton of sense," said Eskedjian.

Integration continues

Integration planning between HHHS, Community Care Haliburton County, VON and SIRCH continues, with the

transition team meeting on a weekly basis, said Eskedjian.

One of the priorities the team recognized from the outset was the importance of clear communication with the staff and public, said the CEO.

As a result, the team sent out an RFP for a communications support person and has retained Jennifer Garland, a communications specialist.

From just outside of Peterborough, Garland was one of two who submitted a proposal, the other submission was from a local party, said Eskedjian.

According to Eskedjian, Garland is familiar with this community and has worked with area corporations and small hospitals.

"We're very happy," said the CEO, adding Garland has already begun to attend the integration meetings.

Garland will be developing a communications plan and engaging with the community and target stakeholders.

Her services are budgeted to cost \$10,000 and will be funded through the Small, Northern, Rural Hospitals Transformation Fund, which has money allocated for communications support.

Part of the integration plan will see the board of directors of Community Care and HHHS merge into one board.

Community Care has nominated three current board members to join the HHHS board, said HHHS chairman Len Logoar.

Those individuals will have to apply and comply to the nomination requirements currently in place by the board.

Purchasing partnership with Ross Memorial

A procurement partnership with Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay is saving HHHS money when it comes to buying goods.

The arrangement has RMH doing the procurement, which is resulting in better pricing through shared services, said Eskedjian.

"This is a good news story," said the president and CEO. "We were paying premium prices, in some cases."

In addition, RMH has agreed to let HHHS do its large printing orders through the Lindsay hospital's print shop.

Cash for Care winding down

The Cash for Care lottery facilitated by the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation is winding down.

The next early bird draw is set to take place on April 30, with the last four draws scheduled for May 23.

Logoar encouraged board members to purchase tickets, if they had not already done so.

Proceeds from this year's lottery were going towards palliative care, said Logoar.

"This year the tickets aren't flying off the shelf," he said. This is the second year of the Cash for Care lottery.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 705-457-1580 or 705-286-1580. They are also available throughout the county at many business locations.

Promoting healthy communities

Kate Hall and Sue Shikaze are back from the Rural Health Services Research conference held in Kelowna B.C. April 10-11, where they did two presentations about the work being done in Haliburton County on active transportation. They talked about the activities and efforts of the Communities in Action Committee, as well as the roles of other important partners and stakeholders, such as the county and municipal governments, health unit, HCDC and of course the local media.

The conference was entitled, Building Intersections for vibrant Rural Communities: Research on Health, Wellness, and Place. The theme focused on intersections between research, practice, and policy for healthy built environments. Hall and Shikaze were invited to present by Katrina Plamondon, of the Interior Health Authority, and conference coordinator, who said in her invitation, "Our planning committee thought of your work in bringing together multiple sectors to collaborate and create a healthier built environment in a rural context. To the best of our knowledge, the Haliburton example is a leading practice internationally and we would be honoured to have your team join us in Kelowna". /Submitted by Sue Shikaze



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MPP Laurie Scott, who was also representing the Ontario Trillium Foundation's Brian Markle, left at front, presented a foundation plaque to signify the \$100,000 Trillium grant to the Highlands Summer Festival's board of directors Paul Heffer; general manager, Ken Loney; Stella Voisin, Joan Hawley, Jack Brezina and Craig Saunders. This grant pays for the three-year, part-time, new general manager position held by Loney. This new position is part of the festival's plan to grow.

Darren Lum Staff

Festival's new position promises solid future

➤ Ontario Trillium Foundation gives \$100,000 to fund new general manager position

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

The Highlands Summer Festival is reaching for new heights with the infusion of grant money from the provincial government.

This past week MPP Laurie Scott officially presented the Ontario Trillium Foundation plaque to the non-profit charity theatre group, which represents \$100,000 to fund a three-year part-time general manager position.

Ken Loney, who has been working as the Festival's first general manager since early March, is optimistic about the opportunities.

He expects to raise more money through available grants and encourage future theatre lovers through the youth program Early Stages.

Due to the limit of seating at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, the Festival is restricted in how much money they can make. However available grants will bolster their revenue stream.

"There are only so many performances at 216 seats. There's only a finite number of tickets we can sell, but to go beyond where we are now is going to require more funding so I'm excited about doing the research on those funding programs," he said.

The member of the Festival's board of directors for the past three years sees the Early Stage program as a way to not just educate and encourage young people to love the theatre, but ensure a stronger volunteer base for the Festival.

"We want to infuse youth at the bottom end of the structure to help revitalize, refresh and unload the burden for some of the people who have been here for 20 years," he said.

Early Stages is a four-week program that unites post-sec-

ondary theatre students with local elementary school students.

True to form, the general manager was quick to tout the entire lineup of Festival offerings this year, which includes *The Last Resort*, *Great Expectations*, *I Hate Hamlet* and *Back in '59*. With a dad who served with the Royal Canadian Air Force as a mechanic during the Second World War, Loney is particularly looking forward to *Billy Bishop Goes to War*.

Scott, who attended past Festival stage productions, said you can't discount the "value in the community" this theatre group is to the community.

She adds the Festival is "regarded very highly."

After three years, Loney and the entire Festival have set out with the goal to find the means to not only generate more revenue, but also find the funding to make his position full-time.

"There's plenty of work to do if you have the hours to do it in," he said.

Highlands Little Theatre ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, May 3, 2014
at Haliburton Curling Club
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Election of Officers

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Monday May 5th, 2014

Minden Legion Branch 636
12847 Hwy 35, Minden

AGM will commence at 7:00pm.

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Do you wish to join a great group of volunteers who enjoy assisting with the many functions of a large club? Come out and become part of the HCSA in a big way or a small way to help the club make the trails within Haliburton County the most enjoyable to ride.

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A dinner meal for \$10 is available at the Legion at 6:00pm.
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June 14, 2014
73 Victoria St School from 8 am—3 pm

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Reads of the month



This month's Celebrity Reader is Roanna Moon, a practising artist and student at Fleming College's Haliburton campus. For her Celebrity Read, Roanna chose

I Am The Messenger by Markus Zusak. "I loved reading *The Book Thief* which is another book written by Markus and after liking it so much I decided that I needed to

dig my teeth into some more of his wonderful writing."

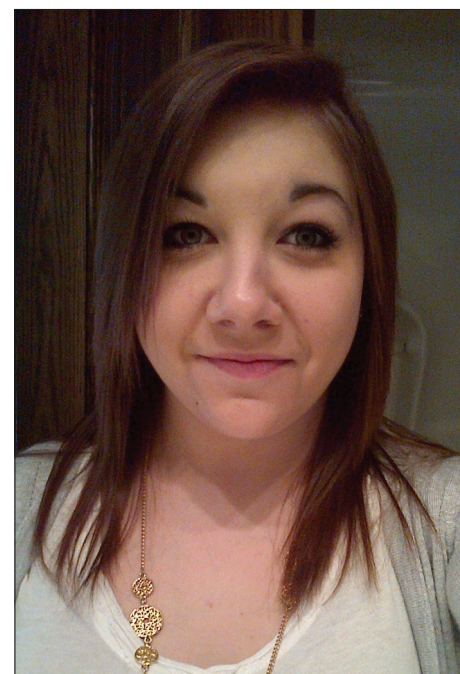
"I loved Markus's writing, and the concept of the book is so unique, well developed, and interesting. It is very much unlike a lot of the other stories I have ever experienced. The conflicts that Ed is put through, allow his character to become so complex that it paints a beautiful picture of humanity and our constant struggle with our morality."

"I would recommend this book to anyone really, it doesn't necessarily only apply to a specific demographic but it requires some thought and contemplation. It is a wonderful read and the words are meticulously designed and would appeal to anyone with an appreciation for complex ideas."

"I'm a fan of classic literature, and I love novels that are complex enough to demand my attention without requiring me to go and seek out a whole series of books. I like books that are thought provoking and make me think or provide an intriguing perspective which *I Am The Messenger* certainly provides."

Roanna's art includes giving new life to discarded books by turning them into intricately folded sculptures. You can see her art through her online portfolio at <http://roannamoon.wix.com/portfolio>.

Thank-you, Roanna, for being this month's Celebrity Reader! *I Am The Messenger* by Markus Zusak can be reserved at the Haliburton County Public Library.



Do you have a book that you want to share? Contact Erin Kernohan-Berning at 705-457-2241 or ekernohan@haliburtonlibrary.ca and we may feature you as one of our Celebrity Readers.

Watch for more news from the Haliburton County Public Library alternating weeks in the *Haliburton Echo* and *Minden Times*.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

- **DATE:** Wednesday, May 14th, 2014
- **TIME:** 11:00 am.
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-2014-004 – Sawyer
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a private garage on a lot located in the RU1 zone:
 - a) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a private garage to have a minimum front lot line setback of 6 metres (20 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 13.5 metres (44.29 feet).
 - b) A decrease to the provisions of Section 3.30(a) to permit a private garage to have a minimum street setback from Burkes Road of 12.5 metres (41 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 23.5 metres (77 feet).
 - Location: Part Lot 23, Concession 5 in the geographic Township of Dysart (Burkes Road).
2. D13-MV-2014-005 – Smith-Chambers
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of an addition and private garage on a lot located in the R1 zone:
 - a) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a private garage to have a minimum exterior side lot line setback of 4.8 metres (16 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 10.5 metres (34.45 feet).
 - b) A decrease to the provisions of Section 3.30(a) to permit a private garage to have a minimum street setback from George Street of 12.8 metres (42 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 20.5 metres (67 feet).
 - c) An increase to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a lot in the R1 zone to have a lot coverage maximum of 27% as opposed to required maximum of 20%.
 - Location: Part Lot 17, Concession 8, Part Lot 1, Block R, Plan 1 in the geographic Township of Dysart (Pine Avenue).
3. D13-MV-2014-006 – 1802367 Ontario Inc.
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a medium density dwelling on a lot located in the R3-12:
 - a) A variance to the provisions of Section 3.22(d)(i) to permit 23 indoor parking spaces to have a minimum width of 2.7 metres (8.85 feet) as opposed to the required minimum of 3 metres (9.843 feet).
 - b) A variance to the provisions of Section 5.4.15.12 to permit a lot in the R3-12 zone to have a minimum parking space requirement of 1.45 spaces per dwelling unit, as opposed to the minimum required 1.5 spaces per dwelling unit.
 - c) An increase to the provisions of Section 5.4.15.12 to permit a lot in the R3-12 zone to have a lot coverage maximum of 31.6% as opposed to required maximum of 30%.
 - Location: Part Lot 16, Concession 8, Lot 1 & Part Lot 2, Block F, Plan 1 in the geographic Township of Dysart (Lake Avenue).

ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. **A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.**

FURTHER INFORMATION: including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Jeff Iles
Secretary-Treasurer,
Committee of Adjustment

Community Care is moving

Organization announces new location effective this week

Community Care is excited about their upcoming move into their new offices effective Monday, April 28.

The new address will be 7185 Gelert

Rd. in Haliburton, at the Haliburton site of Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

All contact phone numbers for the organization will remain the same: 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2944.

Social recreation activities will also be moving to a new location in mid-April and May. If you are a registered user of these activities you will be notified where and when they will be taking place.

Delivery/pickup of Meals on Wheels will recommence on May 1.

The new Meals on Wheels office will be located at the Haliburton Hospital, 7199 Gelert Rd, with access through the lower level parking lot.

Community Care is excited about all of these changes and looks forward to visiting with clients, partners and volunteers at their new locations as they continue to provide exemplary service to the community of the Haliburton Highlands. For more information please contact Community Care at 705-457-2941.

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July 1st, 2014 to June 30th, 2015

The Municipality of Dysart et al is inviting tenders for Landfill Cover and Compaction Maintenance Services.

Specifications and Tender Forms can be obtained at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, or by email by contacting Shannon Billings (ext. 59) or Brian Nicholson (ext. 33) at (705) 457-1740.

Tenders must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 15, 2014.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Brian Nicholson, Director of Public Works.

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Sports



Darren Lum Staff

Left, Red Hawks junior singles player Noah Dollo, who finished with a silver medal, returns a shot during the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship on Thursday, April 24 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton. Dollo finished fifth last year at COSSA.



Darren Lum Staff

Top right, Red Hawks junior doubles player Joel Fedeski, front, and Jaydon Wood finished with a gold medal, returns a shot during the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship on Thursday, April 24 at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton.

Bottom right, Hawks junior mixed doubles player Caleb Schmidt, front, with partner Hannah Klose looking on, receives a shot.

Jr Hawks defend COSSA title

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

For the second time in as many years the Red Hawks junior badminton team is the best in Central Ontario.

They were led at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton last week by golden performances from the mixed doubles team of Caleb Schmidt and Hannah Klose and doubles team of Jaydon Wood and Joel Fedeski. Singles player Noah Dollo, who finished fifth last year, earned a silver to round out the Hawks results.

Despite less players at COSSA than last year, the Red

Hawks made the most of their opportunities scoring 42 points (15 for gold and 12 for silver). The next closest school didn't even break 30.

Last year, the team had four categories (singles, doubles, mixed doubles) represented with eight players, which included a pair of singles and boys' doubles teams.

They earned the title with 42 points, edging out second place by three points winning a gold, silver and bronze, including two fifth place finishes.

This is the third team title for the Hawks in 11 years after East Northumberland strung together eight consecutive titles before 2011 when the Hawks won.

Hawks notes: COSSA is the highest level for juniors.



Sr Hawks doubles team wins silver

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

A Red Hawks senior doubles team is astounded days after upsetting a perennial doubles badminton powerhouse to earn a berth to the all-provincials in Markham this week.

Tanner Hamilton and Curtis Ballantyne were still smiling, recalling how they stunned the partisan home crowd after defeating Tyler Leavitt and Brian Ladas-Taylor, who are the reigning Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics champions and last year's all-provincial C flight bronze medalist from East Northumberland Secondary School in this year's central championship.

"I let a squeal go," Hamilton said, referring to the conclusion of the match. "After he popped it up and I put it down I [shouted]."

Red Hawks coach Jason Morissette saw Ballantyne's jaw drop, reacting to Hamilton and realizing the achievement of knocking off ENSS for the silver medal and a place at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship.

Other than Hamilton, the gymnasium was left virtually silent, as the shock of the upset swept through the spectators.

"I've never seen a gym go that silent," Morissette said.

Talk of their upset was mentioned several times by coaches at the COSSA junior badminton tournament days later at HHSS, he adds.

Grade 11 athlete Ballantyne and fifth-year athlete Hamilton were left in awe at the reaction of other players.

"It felt amazing when Norwood's whole team came over and shook our hands. Every single player Norwood had there," Hamilton said. "They were like, 'How did you do



Darren Lum Staff

Red Hawks senior doubles badminton team Tanner Hamilton and Curtis Ballantyne performed under pressure, defeating a heavily favoured East Northumberland Secondary School doubles team for a COSSA silver medal. The ENSS team of Tyler Leavitt and Brian Ladas-Taylor were not just the defending COSSA champions, but also an all-provincial C flight bronze medal winner.

that?"

Coming into the first game (12-21 and 11-21) loss against the ENSS team, it was over before it began for the Red Hawks, which forced them to study their eventual silver medal game opponents.

"We knew they were back [as reigning champions]. They have an OFSAA medal for badminton, but in the second [match] Mr. Morissette helped us a lot figuring out their game," he said.

Throughout the day the Red Hawks team watched with their coach, breaking down the ENSS game to find weaknesses they could exploit.

"We had to get them moving lots and in that third game [of the second match] they just kept popping everything up and we put it down," he said

Cobourg East ended up with the gold, beating ENSS on the way to the final.

Morissette, who said Hamilton and Ballantyne didn't play Cobourg all season, thinks if the draw was different a gold medal could have been a possibility.

The ENSS team even included a player that is sponsored by a racquet company, the doubles team and Morissette pointed out.

Both players know what it takes to win and how to handle pressure, as they were part of the Red Hawks varsity hockey team's bronze medal win at OFSAA earlier this year.

Although the win was similar to their hockey experience, the two are savouring how they came together throughout the season. Unlike a hockey team, all they had was each other.

"We got mad at each other a couple of times, but we'd always come back and be there for each other. If it wasn't for [Ballantyne] we wouldn't have got past Kawartha because I played brutal," Hamilton said.

Hamilton, who has played for the Red Hawks since Grade 9, knows Leavitt and Ladas-Taylor well.

With former doubles partner, Tanner Ballantyne, older brother to Curtis, he was winless in three years at COSSA

and admitted it was "sweet revenge" to eliminate ENSS. The top two teams advance to the all-provincials.

This is Hamilton and Ballantyne's second trip ever to OFSAA this year and reality has just sunk in after the excitement of the upset wore off.

At the junior tournament, Hamilton ran into one of the ENSS doubles players who said his partner broke his hand, punching the wall after the frustrating loss.

With Hamilton and Ballantyne being friends through elder brother, Tanner and through hockey on their side, the two thought it was a natural fit to play together.

"Once my brother decided that he was leaving, me and Tanner were thinking and hoping that we would be together. We were talking about it," he said.

At first their coach didn't know if it could work.

Hamilton convinced him otherwise. Despite missing two weeks of practice together because of the hockey all-provincials, the two made it work.

In the short season, Morissette said, it's significant.

The doubles team agreed with their coach that the pressure they experienced playing for the Red Hawks at the all-provincials best prepared them.

"To get to the third set with that team and not get all worked up and, like, nervous ... I think hockey helped with that because we got to OFSAA bronze [final]," Hamilton said. "When pressure hit you there there is no way you're winning that [final] game."

Morissette was surprised at how ENSS responded in the second meeting with his team.

After dropping the second game 21-18 in the second match, it flustered ENSS.

It was an opening his team jumped on by finishing with a 21-15 win.

"There's no time to be sulking," Morissette said, referring to ENSS. "That's not the way [Hamilton and Ballantyne] are. In badminton circles this is a big upset to take down an OFSAA medalist. We're talking about any sport. It would be like [the Red Hawks hockey team]. Imagine them all coming back next year - all the returning guys - and they get knocked off at COSSA."

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Successful season for the curling club

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The Wilberforce Curling Club had a successful season. It began last fall and finished at the end of March.

The awards dinner and AGM was very well attended on Thursday, April 24 at the Wilberforce Legion. Membership was up this year.

Some reorganization of leagues took place and some successful bonspiels were enjoyed.

Plans for the future were presented.

As the curling facility itself ages attention must be given to it.

Several fundraisers are in the works. The curling club will be presenting a roast beef dinner at the LWMC on Saturday, May 17 of the Victoria Day holiday weekend. Many will be delighted that this event, which the Volunteer Police Association ran for many years, is being scheduled again.

The September golf tournament is planned. And the Eclectic Market run by Agnew's for the past few years has been taken on by the curling club. It will operate from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the curling club every Saturday and Sunday from the Victoria Day weekend to Labour Day weekend. The exception will be on the Agricultural Fair weekend Aug. 9/10 and on Aug. 23/24 weekend when the HATVA poker run is scheduled.

The current executive was reelected for the next two curling seasons.

Thanks to them for their fine leadership.

They are: president Tammy Vaughan, vice president Darrell McQuigge, treasurer Donna Teravainen, secretary Kathy McQuigge, bar convenor Ron Robertson, league convenor John Teravainen and sponsorship and fund-raising convenor Dave Watson.

The production Not Just Desserts on April 25 and 26 was very successful. Audiences both evenings appeared to enjoy themselves tremendously.

The pantomimes were well received with good audience participation.

No lines were forgotten.

A highlight had to be the lighthouse being successfully climbed by most actors with a little occasional prompting from the very observant viewers.

The various descents into the cellar brought out some cheers especially for Dave Burton.

Also appreciated was the great rowing by Julie.

They loved her bloomers.

Costumes and sets helped tell the stories.

And what good sport members of Highlands East Council were.

Cheers and hisses were enjoyed.

The narrators presented the poetic tales of villains and heroes clearly keeping the audience well informed.

The donated desserts were delicious. The silent auction each evening was popular and added well to this popular fund-raiser.

This event will certainly help in reaching the goal for

funds for furnishings for the new library.

Congratulations to all who helped in any way for this event.

Several from this area greatly enjoyed the music of the Foothills Brass at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Saturday, April 26.

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Family news is always welcome. Ruth Cooper phoned to tell us of her flight to Atlanta, Georgia, to see her son Jonathan, his wife, Janice and their three children, Amelia, Benjamin and Caleb.

Great fun all 'round since it had been two years since they were together.

Good wishes for better health to Keith Burns in Haliburton Hospital since last week.

He therefore missed our Highlands Concert Band, which performed in Minden at the United Church and was received enthusiastically by the crowd in attendance.

Hats off to Keith whose initiative with Glen Carter in 2001 led to the formation of this band.

Sincere condolences to Doreen Sisson in the loss of her father, Ken MacDuff on April 22, 2014, and sympathy also to his 16 grandchildren and all who held him dear as neighbour and friend in Gooderham.

It's one thing to report euchre results week by week, and real fun to be part of that activity on Tuesday evenings. People are friendly and helpful to a newcomer like me, harmonious in their understanding of my mistakes.

Nice for me to meet those who were just names to me before.

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Helen Knapp (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



Peacefully in her sleep at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday morning, April 22, 2014 in her 89th year. Beloved wife of the late Raymond Knapp. Loving mother of Heather Young of Peterborough, Randy of Glenburnie, and Derek of Haliburton. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Jennifer, Andrew, Kim, Robert, Meaghan, Stephanie and her many great-grandchildren. Helen enjoyed reading, cards, her time at the lake, crossword puzzles and her family.

Visitation & Memorial Service

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Kenneth 'Ken' MacDuff (Resident of Gooderham, Ontario)



Peacefully at his residence on Tuesday morning, April 22, 2014 in his 89th year. Beloved husband of Roseline MacDuff (nee Dovell) for over 65 years. Loving father of Doreen (Russell Sisson), Glenda (George Simmons), Charlotte (John Hillis), Sylvia (Wayne Hancock), Reg (at home), and Ron (Cammie Hillis). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Lisa, Kendra, Tanya, Sara, George, Arlene, Richard, Greg, James, Lori, Jay, Robin, Neil, Keith, Megan, Cameron and his great grandchildren Morgan, Zach, Josh, Joe, Brady, Hadley, Eve, Carter, Kennedy, Sydney, Nick, Evan, Autumn, Lyla, Reese, Mason, Delaney, Aylssa and Jeslyn. Dear brother of Charlotte, Elgin, and Marie. Predeceased by brothers George, Preston and sisters Violet and Marjorie. Ken was an avid outdoorsman, worked with his hands, loved woodworking and most of all, his family. He worked for Bark Lake Leadership Camp for over 24 years.

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In accordance to her wishes, Isa has been cremated. A Service to Celebrate her Life will be held at the Burnt River Somerville Community Centre, Burnt River on Friday, May 9, 2014 at 1:00 pm. Interment will follow at the Burnt River Cemetery. A Reception will be held back at the Burnt River Somerville Community Centre.

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